

# Comparisons of Job Characteristics

**Focus Occupation:** [Marriage and Family Therapists \(21-1013\)](#)

**Associated Occupation:** [Clinical, Counseling, and School Psychologists \(19-3031\)](#)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

## Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 97

**Focus Occupation:** Marriage and Family Therapists (21-1013)

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Therapy and Counseling	3.8	24.0	25.0	0	Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Psychology	6.4	21.4	25.0	>>	Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient
English Language	11.2	17.8	15.8	<	Expanded education and/or training may be required
Education and Training	9.2	14.8	14.5	0	Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Customer and Personal Service	11.3	13.6	18.6	>>	Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient
Sociology and Anthropology	4.1	13.4	14.9	>	Current knowledge level is likely sufficient
Philosophy and Theology	3.2	9.0	14.3	>>	Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 96

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**Associated Occupation:** Clinical, Counseling, and School Psychologists (19-3031)

Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Social Perceptiveness	9.1	18.4	19.5	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Active Listening	11.0	17.1	19.5	>	Skill level is likely sufficient
Speaking	10.8	15.7	15.4	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Reading Comprehension	10.7	15.2	12.8	<	A higher skill level may be required
Critical Thinking	10.8	14.5	14.1	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Writing	9.2	14.0	12.0	<	A higher skill level may be required

Judgment and Decision Making	9.4	13.0	14.3	>	Skill level is likely sufficient
Active Learning	8.7	12.6	12.0	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Service Orientation	7.9	12.0	14.2	>	Skill level is likely sufficient
Persuasion	7.4	11.5	11.8	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Negotiation	6.8	11.4	10.8	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Learning Strategies	7.2	11.2	10.3	0	Current skill level may be sufficient

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## Abilities

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 97

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**Associated Occupation: Clinical, Counseling, and School Psychologists (19-3031)**

Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Oral Comprehension	12.5	17.0	16.6	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Oral Expression	12.4	16.8	16.6	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Problem Sensitivity	11.1	16.3	15.0	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Written Comprehension	11.0	15.7	13.2	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Inductive Reasoning	10.2	15.4	15.7	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Written Expression	9.8	15.0	12.8	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Deductive Reasoning	10.6	14.8	13.2	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Speech Clarity	10.2	13.7	13.2	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Speech Recognition	9.9	12.8	14.7	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient

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## Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 97

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Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity
Analyze psychological testing data	84
Assess therapy needs of patients	85
Assist clients in understanding personal or interactive problems	89
Coordinate social service activities with resource providers	77
Counsel individuals with personal problems	81
Develop treatment plans	92
Empathize with others during counseling or related services	69

Evaluate patient response to therapy	78
Follow confidentiality procedures	58
Follow patient observation procedures	71
Interpret psychological test results	84
Monitor client progress	84
Obtain information from individuals	24
Plan therapy treatment program	77
Record client's personal data	80
Refer clients to community services or resources	76
Use behavior modification techniques	81
Use conflict resolution techniques	56
Use counseling techniques	60
Use current social research	62
Use grief counseling techniques	76
Use interpersonal communication techniques	10
Use interviewing procedures	23
Use psychological assessment tools	82

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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## Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus  
Occupation to Associated  
Occupation: 75

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Computers	1
Content authoring and editing software	1
Data management and query software	1
Finance accounting and enterprise resource planning ERP software	2
Industry specific software	1
Information exchange software	1
Network applications software	1
Personal communication devices	2

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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